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MORE DEMAND FOR JOINT COMMITTEE.

THE resolution presented to the United States senate early in the last session by Hon. John W. Weeks of Massachusetts providing for the appointment of a joint committee on expenditures in the conduct of the war is likely to be pressed vigorously, for action. The matter has been pending before the committee on rules ever since its introduction. At one time it was on the point of being favorably reported to the senate, but just then the president appeared at the capitol to confer with his friends on the committee. The result was that the resolution was quietly laid aside. But senators are now realizing that it is time to take the lid off and look into the workings of the various war bureaus of the government. The shipping board, food administration, and the supply divisions of the war department are now being investigated by as many different senatorial committees. It is contended that if the Weeks committee had been in existence during the past few months the startling facts that are now being unearthed would have been brought to light much earlier and prompt steps taken to remedy the conditions. With the evidence of gross mismanagement already at hand, with more in sight, the Republicans of congress believe that few Democrats will have the hardihood to oppose further the creation of the joint committee on expenditures.

IN SIX MONTHS?

SINCE August, 1914, there have been many military men and writers who have had the hardihood to predict how long the war would last. The economists said it would last a few months only, because the nations could not stand the strain on their resources any longer than that. Kitchener was laughed at when he said it would last at least three years. The war has been ended in theory every spring, summer and winter of years of the war. Now there are those who say it will last five years more. But Captain Andre Tardieu, French high commissioner to the United States, the other day said the next six months will bring a decision. Hardieu says the next half year will be the hardest period of the war. He predicts a strong German attack on the western front during this winter, but is confident it will prove another Verdm. The allied armies are magnificent, enthusiastically declares Hardieu, and if the embattled democracies "know how to play a good game the issue will be decided in the next six months." Tardieu is unquestionably well informed, but others equally well informed shake their heads and talk of years of war before we win victory. There are predictions to fit every one; you buy your paper and take your choice.

INEQUALITIES OF TAX LAW.

ONE glaring inconsistency in the war revenue law is in its application to patents. Suppose, for instance, that a patent has been purchased for \$5,000, then allowance is made for that amount in making out the excess profits return. In one case, however, the patent may have turned out to be worthless and have been written off as such, while in another it may have been developed to a point where it is worth \$1,000,000 when the return is made. But so long as the patent remains in the hands of the original owner the allowance will be based on the capital of \$5,000 which is invested in the patent. Now, in the latter case, the patent may be sold to another concern for \$1,000,000, but the income produced from its exploitation may remain the same as before. After the sale, however, a deduction would be allowed of 9 per cent on \$1,000,000, plus \$3,000, or a total of \$93,000. That is but one result of the sale, and all the ramifications of its effect on the actual tax paid would burden the mind of anybody with less mathematical experience than a professional actuary.

THE COURSE OF A DOLLAR.

IT IS easy to visualize the course of a dollar saved from waste and invested in government bonds: First, it goes to the government as a loan for the war; second, it is expended by the government for food, clothing and ammunition which go directly to a gallant soldier or sailor, whose fighting strength is kept up by the food, whose body is kept warm by the clothing, and whose enemy is hit by the ammunition. It has not been expended in the purchase of needless food and clothing for the man at home, and is therefore released for the use of the soldier; it is saved wealth to the man at home and can be loaned to his government at interest, with resulting benefit to himself and to his government.

EXCESSIVE LOANS ALLEGED.

SENATOR M'CUMBER of North Dakota told the senate the other day that he has been informed by persons who are good judges of land values that in some sections of the country the farm loan banks have made loans in excess of the value of the land, notwithstanding the law provides that the loans shall not exceed 50 per cent of the value of the land. It was intimated that an investigation will be had to ascertain where and to what extent such loans have been made. The subject is of particular interest to members of congress, for the reason that they were called upon to vote authority for government purchase of \$200,000,000 of farm loan bonds because the farm loan banks could not sell the bonds to private investors.

CLIPPED AND CREDITED.

One Memphis man, whose name is not given, proposes to pay the Red Cross \$10 a month until the war is over. Knoxville Journal and Tribune.

The "Lightless Night" may be the excuse for the revival of

the old song, "We Won't Go Home Till Morning."—Atlanta Constitution.

Russia couldn't keep the faith; now she will get the gaff.—Nashville Banner.

Has the editor who referred to Mr. Caillaux as being disloyal arranged all his bequests and testaments, in case Mme. Caillaux sends in her card?—Kansas City Star.

The kaiser seems determined to have so many of his fighting men killed off that there will not be enough left after the war to start a revolution.—New York Telegraph.

If Lloyd George's latest proposal, free medical attendance for everybody, goes through parliament, good health will no longer be the distinguishing characteristic of the poor.—New York Evening Post.

DENVER BOXING AND WRESTLING TOURNAMENT STARTS JAN. 21ST

(By Associated Press.)

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Jan. 5.—With the great interest developed in boxing by its prominence at the army training camps, and with more than forty entries already received, the Denver Athletic club's annual amateur boxing tournament this winter is attracting more than usual attention. Last year there were more than 150 men entered in the seven boxing and four wrestling classes of the tournament and this is expected to be exceeded heavily this year. The contest opens January 21.

Entries so far received include several from Wyoming and three from Nebraska, where newspapers are co-operating with the club in securing entrants. In former years, though by far the greater number of entrants have represented regular clubs, many men have entered as "unattached." This practice is encouraged, as tending to bring in all possible entrants.

The prizes this year are gold and silver watches. Only amateurs in the strict sense of the word are permitted to compete. Decisions are made by three judges, whose names are not disclosed and who are changed each night of the tournament. The tournament generally lasts seven or eight days, with from fifteen to eighteen boxing or wrestling matches nightly. This year it probably will continue for a longer period. Besides the two states named, entries may be made from Utah, Colorado, New Mexico, Kansas and Oklahoma.

The classes for boxing are divided as follows: Under 108 pounds, 108 to 115 pounds; 115 to 125 pounds; 125 pounds to 135 pounds; 135 pounds to 145 pounds; 145 pounds to 158 pounds, and heavyweight.

While the majority of California's star tennis players have joined the United States land or sea forces in one capacity or another, the mill which turns out these stars keeps grinding. The municipal courts at the Golden Gate park are as crowded as ever and the Golden Gate Park Junior Tennis club continues to hold its monthly tournaments without interruption.

Such internationally known players as Maurice McLoughlin, William Johnstone and practically every other California player who has become nationally famous on the courts is a graduate of this club and their playing was fostered and encouraged by this organization. The park courts have been termed the "cradle" of California players and the Junior Tennis club the "wet nurse."

Prizes worth winning are played for at each of these monthly tournaments, held during each of the twelve months in the year. It has been found that competition, with the added incentive of prizes, is the best method of getting the youngsters

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to take up tennis with a view to becoming proficient and to this is ascribed, in a large measure, the success of California players.

(By Associated Press.)

SAN DIEGO, Cal., Jan. 5.—After serving continuously as secretary of the San Diego Rowing club for fifteen years, Neil E. Brown, a well known expert in Pacific coast aquatic circles, has announced his resignation. During the time that Brown has been in office the club has grown from 62 to 604 members. He was the sponsor for the rowing and swimming championships held at Coronado Tent City last summer, at which a number of world's records were shattered.

GEN. PERSHING WIRES THANKS TO WILSON

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 5.—General Pershing yesterday cabled the thanks of the American expeditionary forces for President Wilson's New Year's greeting. His message said:

"All officers and men of this command extend to the president as our commander-in-chief most sincere thanks for his message of confidence and we heartily return his New Year's greetings and trust that his health and strength may be conserved. All ranks extend to him and our people at home pledges of loyalty and devotion."

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INDIA OFFICIAL GETS IN TOUCH WITH GERMANY TO AID REVOLTS

(Correspondence Associated Press.)

BOMBAY, Dec. 3.—How a dismissed official of the Indian government endeavored to get into communication with Germany for the purpose of stirring up a revolutionary movement in India has just been told at the arraignment of Sitarama Iyer, charged with communicating with the enemy.

Iyer, after being removed from the British service as a revenue inspector, got into communication with Germany through various neutral consuls in Bombay, employing official British stationery and counterfeit seals to deceive the neutrals.

NOTE INFLATION.

(By Associated Press.)

ZURICH, Switzerland, Jan. 4.—The rapid inflation of the note issue in Austria-Hungary, which has reached seventeen thousand million crowns and is increasing at the rate of one thousand million per month, is causing great apprehension in financial circles in the dual monarchy. Various remedies are under consideration, such as the payment of government contractors in war loan stock or non-negotiable treasury bills. The public is also urged to subscribe liberally to the seventh war loan and help the government restrict the note issue.

Die Zeit declares all these measures to be useless and says there is no longer any possibility of stopping the continual rise in prices and the inflation of the currency.

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DRAFT ACT IS AGAIN UPHELD BY U. S. COURT

(By Associated Press.)

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Jan. 5.—The right of the government to send drafted men for military service wherever needed was upheld in federal court in Kansas City, Kas., yesterday when Judge John C. Pollock denied the application for a writ of habeas corpus releasing Robert Cox, 21 years old, of Richmond, Mo., from the national army. Attorneys for Cox gave notice of an appeal.

In denying the application the court sustained the government's motion to dismiss. The case was filed December 3, the petition conceding the constitutionality of the selective draft law if the drafted men were to be used on American soil for repelling invasions, suppressing insurrections and enforcing law. But it was contended the government contemplated sending Cox, an artilleryman at Camp Funston, to France in "violation of his constitutional rights."

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